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BAPTIST CONVENTION

LARGEST EVER HELD IN STATE-WILL ER-ECT SCHOOL

The annual meeting of the Baptist State convention of New Mexico is being held in Carlsbad this week with the largest attendance of any session of that body ever held in the state, according to the leaders in that denomination. The meeting has been unusual in interest also.

One of the chief undertakings considered by the convention was the establishing of a Baptist college in this state.

Scores of delegates from all quarters of the state have been in attendance upon the convention and are being entertained free by the members of the local Baptist church and the citizens of Carlsbad.

The convention proper opened Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock and will close Friday night or Saturday. Preceding the convention the pastors and laymen's conference was held all day Wednesday.

Rev. R. F. Jenkins of Roswell was elected president of the convention and E. T. Taylor of Albuquerque was made secretary.

The chief addresses of the convention were delivered by Dr. J. F. Ray of the Baptist Seminary at Fort Worth, Dr. J. D. Sandefer, president of Simmons College of Abilene, Tex. Dr. R. F. Jenkins of Roswell, Dr. C. D. Daniels of El Paso, C. Ross Payne of Albuquerque and the Rev. E. T. Atwood of Albuquerque.

All the reports showed the work of the denomination to be progressing along nearly all lines. The leaders expressed pleasure at the splendid growth the denomination has had in the state the past year and the Baptists are said to now number more than any other evangelical denomination in New Mexico.

Citizens of Carlsbad provided automobiles and carried the visitors over a trip of inspection of Carlsbad and surrounding territory.

The local pastor, Rev. S. C. Barb was the busiest man of the whole convention endeavoring to direct the splendid entertainment which was provided for the visitors.

ARMORY DANCE.

The girls' bridge club, entertained with a Halloween dance Tuesday evening at the Armory. The girls of this club do everything well, and this dance proved a success in every way. They extended an invitation to the ladies bridge club and others. Their list numbered 150 at least. The immense hall was decorated with crepe paper in black and gold and black cats, pumpkin faces and witches were to be seen at every turn. The office was converted into a corn stalk wigwam hung with lanterns, from which disguised as a witch Madeline Bates served the delicious cider. The lights were weird and the musical numbers were from dark hands at the piano. Thirty-five or forty couples were on the grand march. To say the armory building contains the largest and best floor for dancing in this country is repeating a fact that we are proud of. Hotel Bates had the order for preparing the refreshments consisting of chicken salad, sandwiches, olives, wafers, coffee and mint sticks.

A CARD.

Owing to the fact that my health is such, that I will not be able to see personally the good citizens of Carlsbad to express my high appreciation of every kindness shown or interest manifested in my troubles in your town. Therefore I take this method of thanking you from the depth of my heart for any and all things done or said to minister to my suffering, to comfort my troubles, or palliate my condition.

And may the good Lord bless you and cause his face to shine upon you; be the prayer of one whose life has been spent in the interest of and for the betterment of the world, and for the great brotherhood of mankind.

Fraternally,

W. M. BUNCH.

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BIG SHOW COMING

The big show is coming boys. The smell of the sawdust is in the air. Hear the call of the bugle and the crack of the ringmaster's whip. Two special trains of all steel cars, the only all steel show train in the world, will bring Cole Bros' World-Toured Shows and trained wild animal exhibition to Carlsbad on Saturday Nov 11 for two performances, afternoon and night, rain or shine. This is the show that you have been waiting for, the Cole Bros' famous show that stands without a rival. Everybody knows them, for they never advertise what they do not give, hence the big top is always jammed with a happy eager crowd. Originality and progressiveness have been the watchwords of these kings of the arena. They have invested hundreds of thousands of dollars, have given years of careful systematic preparation to perfect their wonderful organization, and a glorious reward is the culmination of their efforts.

In order to obtain the latest and best in the amusement world, to satisfy the ever changing public, to retain the patronage and popularity so necessary for the continuance of a traveling institution of such magnitude to accomplish which the Cole Bros. have balked at no effort no matter how herculean, or at any pecuniary outlay no matter how extravagant.

Truly are these popular showmen called "The Live Wires of the White Tops." This season they have hit upon a decided novelty in the improvement of the arena acts, those artists who have reached the highest pinnacle of fame have been secured, and their hairbreadth escape from instant death, keep the audience on the tip of excitement.

Among the features are the Berne Bros., the strongest men on earth, direct from Europe, first time seen, marvelous strength and wrestling matches; "Cheerful" Gardner and his herd of performing elephants, these wonderfully trained animal actors do everything but talk, adding lots of comedy to their act.

Prof. John Ducander, Europe's

FIGHT GROWS AS CAMPAIGN ENDS

General Apathy Vanishes With Approach of Election Day.

MORE PARTISANSHIP SHOWN

Personalities Big Factor in Presidential Election—Four Million Republicans and Several Hundred Thousand Democrats Deserted Their Parties in 1912 Attention to Agriculture.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington, Nov. 2.—[Special].—As the presidential campaign nears its close there is more evidence of political partisanship than has been exhibited for some months. As a matter of fact, one reason for the apathy has been the absence of bitter partisanship save among those who see deep into the political situation and realize the tremendous importance to the government of electing the candidate of their party. But there are many people who take a superficial view of the situation and who say they cannot see any great difference between the parties under present conditions.

Elections have been won largely upon personalities or because people were satisfied with existing conditions. That is one reason why there is so much uncertainty regarding the result this year. Many people have not shown a real interest in the outcome.

Based on 1912.

Harking back to 1912, it may be recalled that nearly 4,000,000 Republicans were so little attached to their party, or at least were not such die-hard partisans, that they could not bolt the regular Republican nomination and support the man of their personal choice. It is also known that a great many Democrats that year left their party and voted for the Progressive candidate, showing that party lines were not very strong with a large class of voters of that party even in a campaign when their party candidate was sure to win.

WILLIE MATHESON MARRIED.

Miss Willie Matheson one of Carlsbad's fairest daughters was spirited away Sunday night to Chicago by her lover Bill Swedek. They quietly married at the Baptist church Sunday morning at nine o'clock, Rev. Barb officiating. The bride was becomingly gowned in a traveling suit of midnight blue with lovely trimmings of white and fur, which added to the attractiveness of her fair face. Mrs. Wm. Swedek has long reigned queen of Carlsbad, has grown to womanhood here and is a graduate of the Carlsbad High school and noted vocalist and beautiful dancer. She numbers her friends by all who know her, and indeed they are very few in this broad valley that do not for she sings like a thrush and plays her own accompaniments, has ever been ready to lend her talent in any way the public demanded, for the benefit of any good organization and has never known the word fail, is a stenographer and bookkeeper. Her family have lived here 25 years or more and her oldest brother Earl is with Company B and a talented musician. The young man that came here some months ago and so skillfully wound his meshes round this fair flower, is seemingly a mechanic, and has been looking into the mechanism of every machine that has been rushed into the Weaver garage, has kept a little roadster that the lady loved to speed and thus the romance began. Rumor has it that he has a neat little sum of money he inherited, and that they will make their future home in Oregon after they have spent their honeymoon in Chicago, where Mr. Swedek's parents reside.

The Current joins the throng in wishing the newly married couple a long and happy wedded life.

LASSETTER GETS BOND

Chas Lassetter was allowed bond in the sum of \$8,000.00 and the bond has about been made, it being necessary to obtain security from his old home to indemnify Eddy county bondsmen.

In the Joe Bunch case he was given suspended sentence and required to pay all costs of court, and the amount the town claims to be short on his peculations.

The preliminary hearing of Mr. Knott's is set for this afternoon at three o'clock.

Dr. J. D. Sandefer of Abilene, Texas, will speak tonight at the Baptist church on mobilizing our laymen. Dr. Sandefer is one of the most able speakers in the southwest. This will be worth hearing whether you are Baptist or not.

The new salesman with Joyce-Fruit Co., J. S. Windham of Odessa, Texas, came last Friday and has been getting acquainted and filling that position with credit the past week.

Walker and Love were in town Friday and closing a deal selling the Keystone ranch owned by them to Rosteste and others for a sheep ranch. Mr. Walker and wife have just returned from a six weeks trip through the Honda and Rudoze valleys, and the mountains. They had a very pleasant trip and saw some good country, but the Pecos Valley is hard to beat.

Mr. Thomas of Malaga, was in town Friday driving a new car, just the same old story, getting tired of going slow and likes the idea of speeding up a bit.

Mrs. Frank Wesley returned Monday from Kansas where she spent a few days looking over that country, and may move there some time in the near future. Mr. Wesley who is in Amarillo looking after his honey had a large number of crates shipped to him this week. Mrs. Wesley has a nice new buggy and harness which her sons made her a present of and shipped here from the north.

Will and Roy Murrish started Sunday with Mrs. Dr. Lackey's cattle, having them driven to pasture about six miles above Roswell, while she has fine range now she fears the cattle may not winter well as the Frenchmen's sheep keep trespassing on her range. Her brother John Murrish brought his sheep 1200 head down from Lakewood and will pasture them with his sister Mrs. Lackey.

Paul Area and wife are down from the Queen country today.

WOMEN'S VOTE A BIG PROBLEM

Eyes of All Leaders Are on Illinois Campaign.

THE REAL PIVOTAL STATE

Illinois Women to Vote in Presidential Contest For First Time—Parties Weighing Tenth and Nail For Victory There—Will Women Be Practical or Sentimental?

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington, Nov. 2.—[Special].—It may be that the country is going to have an object lesson in woman suffrage. It may be that the votes of women will decide the election. Several months ago in this correspondence I said that this might happen by reason of Illinois becoming the real pivotal state. Just now it seems that such an event is not impossible. At least the manner in which the different men in charge of the campaign are fighting for Illinois would indicate that they think it is a mighty important state at this juncture. And nearly everybody agrees that the women voters of Illinois are going to decide the issue in that state.

Illinois Suffrage Law.

For a long time there was a great deal of doubt whether the Illinois suffrage law permitted women to vote for presidential electors, and it may be there is still a legal question involved. But evidently the Illinois authorities have agreed that the law is O. K. in this particular, for no question has been raised. In case Illinois women do decide the result the manner in which the Illinois law was passed will no doubt come in for considerable notoriety. The way four women workers carried the Illinois legislature and secured the franchise for women will prove rather romantic political reading.

Sentimental Vote.

Are women going to be practical or sentimental? That question is being put to the women who are now so much in the forefront, the women of Illinois, who seem to be holding the balance of power in the presidential contest. Are the women going to be swayed by their feelings? Are they going to vote in sympathy or on practical lines? Well, it will only be a short time before we shall see what this experiment leads to in extending the franchise.

Looks Back to 1840's.

Senator Smith of Oregon returned from a visit to the west and he did not let it pass without a single state word of "Hallelujah." To him it was the best time when his man McConick said it was going to be and has continued to insist that it must be. Hallelujahs even Iowa and Minnesota, where he said the precedent has been getting around.

"On the Other Hand."

The Georgia senator's optimistic view was somewhat dampened by the calm and more dispassionate view of Timothy T. Ansberry, formerly a congressman from Ohio, but now a judge. He said the danger to the Democrats was "over-confidence," a disease from which they have suffered in times past, particularly in the Bryan and Parker campaigns. It is the idea of Ansberry that many Democrats may go to sleep on the job and let the hardworking Republicans get away with them at the last moment.

A Frail Reed.

The politician that leans upon the other fellow or a faction of the other fellow's party often has a frail reed for support. The Democrats have leaned on the Progressives. They can't see how it is possible that the large number of Republicans who left their party four years ago can return, particularly as it must have been plain to them at that time that in voting for the third time they were aiding in the election of a Democrat. "Why," ask these Democrats, "will these 4,000,000 Republicans return to the old party?" Of course that is a rather uncertain quantity upon which to base hopes of success.

But the Republicans are leaning too. They are counting upon Tammany disaffection in New York to make that state certain for Hughes, so both parties have based upon uncertain political quantities.

Won't Be Interested.

Not for a week or two will the people be able to get any interest in what Carlsbad is doing or whether or not he is keeping his grip in Mexico. Some way our people have not been able to make Mexico of much importance, political or otherwise, during the past few months.

A Red Hot Fight.

The rumblings of a red-hot fight reach Washington from West Virginia, where Howard Sutherland and Senator Chilton are battling for a seat in the United States senate. No one seems to be able to forecast the result, and only the counting of the vote will tell the story.

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PENSLAR

DEATH OF CURTIS JERNIGAN.

Curtis Jernigan the little four year old son of Dee Jernigan and wife, died Tuesday evening at seven o'clock at the ranch home about 50 miles from Hope. The little fellow had been a sufferer for many months in fact had never been strong having infantile paralysis when he was small. He was operated on here at the Anderson Sanitarium last March and the little life hung in a balance for many days. Curtis is the youngest of a family of three children. The older daughter Willie and the second son, Orrie being here with their mother at the Durst home when the baby brother was ill. A fine family and they spared no cost to relieve the little sufferer. Mr. Jernigan ranches beyond Hope and is well known up and down the valley. Mrs. Jernigan made many friends while in Carlsbad that the Current joins in offering condolence.

PROGRAM FOR HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Subject—"Domestic Science"

Song—Association

Protein—Mrs. Brinton

Mineral Matter—Mrs. Hemenway

Fats—Mrs. John Lewis

Plane Solo—Miss Madge Brown

"Water"—Mrs. Grantham

"Carbohydrates"—Mrs. Poore

Chorus—By twelve high school girls.

greatest animal trainer, with his great troupe of White Arabian horses, showing the acme of Equine skill and intelligence, performing unparalleled feats under the direction of their trainer.

The Whitties, the flying Human Butterflies in a thrilling, dangerous aerial exhibition, suspending by the teeth, the most dangerous act ever presented beneath the dome of a tented arena, in which these fair young ladies swing in mid air by their teeth in a thrilling revolving iron jaw act.

Here Fritz George and his \$50,000.00 group of performing black maned African bred lions is said to be the largest and most sensational lion act before the public today.

Prof. E. J. Rogers with his troupe of educated dogs and Shetland ponies which are the delight of the children and interesting to the grown-up; 25 of these ponies present drills and difficult military maneuvers with all the precision and skill of trained school of ponies seen with any tented organization.

Miss Irene Wesley spent Saturday and Sunday at home. Her sister Miss Mary Wesley bringing her back to school Monday morning in the new buggy.

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Mr. J. Porter Jones of Santa Fe appointed by the last republican legislature as supervisor of stenographers (though not himself a stenographer) has been in Carlsbad for ten days getting the republicans lined up.

The ladies of the Angel club at Loving entered the contest in selecting appropriate names for the various grades of flour, that the new mill will turn out, and they agreed among themselves if one of the number were fortunate in securing the sack of flour, this lady would entertain the other members of the club.

Mrs. W. L. Arthur's name "Delight" was one of the selected names, and "Lilies" was one of the other names for the various grades, and Mrs. Arthur was as good as her word and proved herself a true hostess. Halloween decorations and autumn flowers were in evidence. Hand painted place cards with the illustrated lilies and delight in opposite corners were used at the four course luncheon. Miss Maud Wynnam and Mrs. Ogden won the Halloween caps in the guessing contests. The club members enjoyed the afternoon very much and pronounced Mrs. Arthur a delightful hostess.

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